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AN ERROR OF FACT.

A local clergyman, who evidently de votes a powerful stock of energy and earnestness to the social questions of the day, is reported as saying in a sermon yesterday that the laborer of to-day is no better off than the megro slave before the

Without any intention of discussing the views of this gentleman on the labor question, or his proposed remedy of dividing up the land and fixing a Governmental scale of wages, it is worth while to take exception to the statement that the wage laborers of to-day are in any state of subjection at all approaching that of chattel slavery. That there is great injustice in the operation of the social system of to-day THE DISPATCH has often said; but as this comparison has before been made it is necessary to point out that it is equally at war with the facts, and belittling to the workingmen.

A measure of the tyranny of chattel slavery is afforded in two particulars, which we take at random. One was that the slave had no family rights, but his wife and children could be sold away from him whenever it suited the master. The other was that in the slave States the man who undertook to preach to the slaves that they had any rights, and that slavery was wrong, would have been tarred and feathered, and would have been lucky if he was not hanged to the nearest tree. Any person who intimates that the laboring masses are under such control that they cannot call their families their own, or meet to discuss their rights, or travel in search of employment, does injustice to the spirit and independence of the not doesn it their duty to interfere with the American workmen.

It is well in discussing social problems to keep within speaking distance of the facts.

MOVING WITH DELIBERATION.

We are glad to learn from the New York Tribune that the trouble with the Grant Monument at New York is not lack of funds. "As for the Grant Monument." the Tribune says, "the committee in charge long age explained that it was making no effort to collect funds, because it proposed first to decide upon a plan for the memorial. This is a matter requiring careful thought and investigation, and long preparation." is reassuring. Five years ago the work of raising the monument fund was commenced and less than a quarter the sum named was subscribed. The committee has since then been pondering for the space of 65 lunar months the question of a plan. The thoughtful consideration and long preparation which it has given to it, warrants the expectation that neither the money will be raised nor the plan adopted with that rash speed which would finish up the job within the present generation.

A NEW YORK SCANDAL. The Sheriff of New York, and the Grand Sachem of the Tammany Society, has been very much put out because the newspapers have interfered in his private affairs. The unbridled and licentious part of the press discovered that this high political character had got a divorce by collusion with the court of which he is an officer, and were unreasonable enough to make a fuss over it. Sheriff and Tammany Sachem Flack his request. thought, as Mr. Blaine did about trusts, that it was "a private affair;" but he could not get the press to take that view, and so he throws a tub to the whale by resigning The street railway lines there, wishing an his position in the Tammany Society.

This indicates a consistent misunderstanding of the position on the part of Sheriff Flack. It was evidently a misunderstanding which made him regard an abuse of the instrumentalities of justice as a private affair, and his letter resigning the Tammany position complains of the disposition to "try his case in the newspapers," when the real trouble is in the way it was not tried in the court. The virtue of consistency is, however, shown in the judiciousness with which Mr. Flack resigns his unsalaried po- the discovery that since the application the wition in the Tammany Society and holds on aspirant has found lodgings in the penitento his very fat salary and perquisites as tiary, indicates that this administration is

ures. His failure to resign the public position makes it practicable to have some superior power to do his resigning for him. If there is any desire to maintain decency in the administration of the law, New York will see that all the parties in this scandal are kicked out of office, if not landed in

EDITOR OR POLITICIAN!

It is rather interesting, if not surprising, to find in the Cincinnati Commercial Gazette an editorial over the initials of Mr. Murat Halstead, in reply to some criticisms which contrasted his independence as a journalist is a sign that while margins in iron may a few years ago with the somewhat circumscribed course of his paper as a party organ at present. The reply to this contrast, offered by Mr. Halstend, is as follows:

The period of free-lance journalism, to which complimentary reference is made, was, in my judgment, educational. It resulted in the conviction that the highest public usefulness was attainable on the inside rather than the outside of political organizations. That it was better and stronger to be an inner guiding force than to offer objections, suggestions and criticisms, gan is breaking out into a streak of its old or to dole out inconsequent approbation from

This view might be open to discussion as bearing upon the respective merits of independence and party journalism, if the main | the anti-Chinese law is about as valuable in political influence and to secure political in the East. power to its editor; but it has no cogency at all if the important function of a newspaper is to give its readers unbiased, full and reliable views of what is going on in politics. Mr. Halstead entirely forgets the importance in newspaper work of giving the public the enterprise because they thought they

ing in the editorial columns the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth, concerning the attitude and character of the eading politicians. To subordinate this duty to the mission of being "an inner guiding force" is to make political wirepulling superior in public importance to

open, fearless and outspoken journalism.
In other words, Mr. Halstead is himself developing the principal objection to his Senatorial candidacy. It is converting a very able editor into the usual conventional type of politician.

A SOUTHERN STORM.

The your which has been raised in Atlanta during the past few days appears to have been kicked up especially for the sake of showing the survival of the old pro-slavery barbarism. Under the rules of the civil service, and as the result of an examination a colored man got an appointment in the Atlanta postoffice. He was put in a place where he would have to hand papers and work in the same room with a female clerk, and the Southern blood boiled over at once. The young woman resigned, the mob has burned the postmaster in effigy, and Mr. Grady's organ of the New South, the Atlant Constitution, is indulging in enlightened paragraphs about "the newest attempt of the Republican party to humiliate the peo-

nigger." This almost justifies the feeling that par isan malignity, race hatred and color-line stupidity are unconquerable. But there is reason to hope that the intelligent Southern people will in time have leisure and grace flurry of giving way to the most stupid of mob passions they may take time to reflect that there should be some relation between promise and performance.

ple of the South with a fresh dose of

WANTED-PLUCK.

We have already remarked upon the wonderful bravery of a train-load of passengers and railroad officials who allowed a single robber to plunder them without protest; but the full humor of the incident and of the two other railway robberies under like circumstances, is only just beginning to be appreciated. There is every reason to believe that the western railroads are blessed with brakemen and conductors who are ferocions and fearless enough when they deem the occasion fitting, but are decidedly averse to disputing the rights of any well-armed person to run a train and rob the passengers It is not to be supposed that the Pullman car porters regard this incursion of amateur thieves into their presence with even mind. Doubtless their sufferings while the highwaymen were emptying the passengers' pockets were piteously poignant. But the sleeping car porter is nothing if not discreet, and discretion is the better part of valor, they say. So the seasoned robbers de officio did incidental marauder.

We presume that the train crew in each of these cases was unable to contend with the band of robbers, or the one robber, because it had exhausted its energies bullying the passengers and smashing baggage. We should suggest to the railroads concerned that if they capture the masked gentry who have held up three trains in a week they should employ them at once as train hands. At least then the wholesale melodramatic plundering of trains would cease, for other robbers would know that some courage existed among the officers of the road.

The equally beautiful exhibition of valor offered by the passengers seems to indicate that the West is no longer wild but only woolly. A sheep is not spunky as a rule.

THE people who talk about the necessity of the Government paying big salaries to secure talent for high positions, forget that Aldace F. Walker and A. H. Garland were able to obtain \$25,000 positions in corporate employment because they had first held public places. That may not be very cred itable to Messrs. Walker and Garland; but it does not diminish the attractions of the Government posts which gives the incumbents \$7,000 to \$8,000 a year to rub along

with, until the corporations bid higher. THE decided to-do which the spoils in terests are making over that letter of Mr Roosevelt's to the New York Police Commis sion, recommending a candidate for the pe lice force, is evidently based on Mr. Roose velt's failure to show how they could get their own axes ground by complying with

An example which comes from Indianapolis might be of some use to Pittsburg. extension of their franchises, presented the city with a 200-acre park. This course might be emulated to good advantage by some of our local corporations, which are in the race for privileges. The policy of getting everything from the city and giving nothing back is shown by the act reported above, to be capable of very marked improvement.

An appointment of a colored applicant by the Postoffice Department which leads to experiencing some of the hard luck in that But the action has its commendable feat- line that pursued the Democratic prede-

> As THE DISPATCH predicted, when that report of the storing of vast quantities of sugar in New York was published, the result has indicated that it was an overstock rather than a corner. The trust has been forced to reduce the wholesale price of sugar 3/c per pound in the past three weeks. Let us hope that the retailers will learn of the decline in due course of time.

> THE starting up of an iron mill at the West End, which has been closed for a year, not be very big there is a demand that brings all the works into operation.

> SPEARING of the action of the United States in denying the headland theory of drawing coast-lines on the North Atlantic. and making it run 400 miles out to sea in the North Pacific, the Cincinnati Commercia! Gazette says: "Pismires would be more consistent," That reliable Republican orindependence.

THE appearance of a train load of Chinese laborers at Leadville, indicates that purpose of a newspaper was to exercise the West as the contract immigration law is

complete and unprejudiced views of what could make money by catering to the ghost the political parties are doing, and of tell- of the Lost Cause, the rest of the country will be able to bear their troubles with great equanimity.

> ATLANTA seems to be violently bent of demonstrating that if the South has moved forward it can move backward, as well.

THE case of Kinkel, the dismissed draughtsman of the Supervising Architect's office, indicates that it is unfortunate for a man to be a Republican protege of a Demo-cratic President, but a good deal more unfortunate to be wheedled into handling the campaign funds squeezed out of the department clerks by evasion of the law.

PEOPLE OF PROMINENCE.

MR. TERRNCE V. POWDERLY has recovered from a rather serious illness, and has taken up the work of his office again.

the work of his office again.

King Ja Ja, of West Africa, who is imprisoned on one of the islands of the West Indies by the English Government, has become a pray to melancholia. He refuses to eat and has grown extremely thin. He would have died months again. oths ago if he had not kept up on wine and

an old stone house up in Berkshire county, Mass., and close by it is the ventable black-smith shop of Elihu Burritt, the linguist. A common-looking shed it is, discolored from ex-posure, but it is vested with interest. Until recently, Burritt's identical sign swung there. MALLOCK, the author of "Is Life Worth Living," is described as having deep-set eyes, rather small and almost weird in their alternations of fire and duliness. His face is distinguished by lines of unhappy thoughtfulness, and is of that peculiar pallor which is sometimes born of illness and sometimes of mental miner.

GEORGE GRANVILLE BRADLEY, who suc at times, during the past, expressed some willingness to keep abreast with the ideas of civilization, and after they get over this nine hours a day. He was an early riser, and, in his capacity of Master of University College, often looked over and corrected scores of Latin prose-copies before breakfast.

MRS. MACKAY, the wife of the "Bonanes robe presented to the Empress Eugenie by the municipality of Paris in the time of the second empire. The robe is of lace, entirely covered with flowers. It was made at Chantilly, and took five of the first hands of that celebrated fabrique 14 years to make it, at a cost of 100,000

It is remarkable how soon a family loses It is remarkable how soon a family loses what might be called its marketable value after it falls from power. Publishers no longer make handsome offers to Rose Elizabeth Cleveland, photographers have left off importuning Mrs. Cleveland for sittings and ex-President. Cleveland is not considered a valuable card by summer hotel proprietors. There is more money to the speculator in Baby McKee than in the entire Cleveland family.

SAMUEL J. TILDEN was something of a book-man and a good deal of a dandy. He was one of the best patrons of the tailors of New York.
In the books of fashionable aptown tailors for
1871 Mr. Tilden's name appeared in them for
bills amounting to \$3,000 in that one year. He kept one of the best private tables in the United States, for he believed the fat of the and and the fruits of the vine were made to be enjoyed, and he had them in profusion. He was very careful of his health, and was what may be called a sort of hygienic high liver.

SAILING UNDER PALSE COLORS.

Made a Lord High Admiral of Hims Couldn't Play the Part.

the St. James Gazette.1 In England we do not dote quite so much upon uniforms as they do in France; and little incidents of this kind are therefore not very likely to occur on this side of the channel. Still, a well-known English Cabinet Minister did once get into difficulties, not through going about in mufti, but through wearing too much about in mufti, but through wearing too much uniform. We will not mention the gentleman's name, for he is still extant. The distinguished politician—not even his friends ever thought he was a statesman—was once upon a time First Lord of the Admiralty. Full of the importance of his office he determined to wear the gorgeous uniform of Lora High Admiral, whose representative he was. The first time he had official business with the ficet the right honorable gentleman put on his uniform and went aboard one of Her Majesty's ships. The Minister, who liked to look upon himself as Lord High Admiral, had his flag run up and the vessel started. In a few minutes one of the officers came up and politely touched his hat to the First Lord.

"If you please, sir, what are your orders?" he asked.

asked.
"Orders! what orders?"
"As your flag is flying, you are in command?"
"Hut I don't understand at all."
"Well, sir, you are in command, and in a few minutes we shall run into the Queen's yacht. Will you give me my orders?"
The unlucky First Lord became crimson with vexation, and the Lord High Admiral's pennant was promptly hauled down.

A KENTUCKY BELLE GONE.

Death of the Wife of Jerome Buck. Tammany Leader.

PEPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.1 ATLANTIC CITY, August 11.—Mrs. Jerome Buck, wife of the well-known New York lawyer and one of the leaders of Tammany Hall, died this morning at the Margate from blood coisoning, brought on by malignant cancer of

poisoning, brought on by malignant cancer of the stomach.

Mra Buck was formerly the reigning belie of Kentucky. She was born in Louisville. Besides being one of the best looking women in the country she had a sweet disposition and was a great favorite in New York society, where she has been a leader and acknowledged beauty for years. She was a daughter of Thomas McGrath, of Louisville, Ky., one of the wealthiest men in the South, and a niece of John P. McGrath, owner of the famous McGrathian stock farms. She will be buried at Doylestown, Pa., the home of her uncle.

STEALING GIRLS' HAIR.

Italians Who Rob Fair Maidens of Their Long Tresses.

CRESSONA, August 11. — Fifteen-year-old Emma Spacht, daughter of Samuel Spacht, was attacked by three Italians while on an errand last evening. Two of them choked and gagged her, while the other proceeded to cut off her hair. A neighboring woman saw them and gave an alarm, which aroused the community. About 50 men and boys, armed with guns, revolvers, clubs and stones responded, and chased the villains for nearly an hour, but they escaped to the mountains and have not yet been caught. They are supposed to be the same gang who stole a girl's hair at Schuylkill Haven a week ago.

THE JOHNSTOWN FUND.

alance of the Youngstown Contribution Turned Over to the Commission ISPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH. Youngstown, August 11.-Mayor Montgon YOUNGSTOWN, August II.—Mayor Mentgom-ery and E. T. Collar, who had the charge of the funds raised for the benefit of the Johnstown sufferers, have forwarded the amount sub-scribed and collected and hold the vouchers of Treasurer Thompson, of the Relief Committee. The total amount collected was \$8,416 83. Of this amount \$450 was retained here and distributed among those who were residents of this city and had lost nearly everything by the Johnstown flood.

Connecticut lightning is very fond of som-places, and it never gets tired of hammering them. An open lot at East Great Plain, a m west of Norwich, has been his by thunderbolts a dozen times in the last six years, and a patch of woods half a mile west of the lot is fairly scored with electric shots. The spot that attracts the lightning in the woods is not more than twelve rock square, and nearly all the trees on it have been riddled by lightning shafts. It is believed there is iron ore, which fetches the fluid down. At West Heath, Mass., a hill near the village school has been hit more times than ever were counted. Maple and hemlock trees are marked with scars inflicted by lightning. There are veins of iron in the hill.

Why the Governors Are Dissatisfied. From the Chicago News.1

THE POLITICAL FIELD.

Review of the Situation in the State Magee's Grip Still Firm - Montooth's Candidacy for Governor-Tom Cooper

The Allegheny county delegation in the Republican State Convention of Wednesday last contained such a small number of Chris Magee's friends that they had little or nothing to gee's friends that they had little or nothing to say, except to indulge in some pleasant re-marks over the nomination of Speaker Boyer. They were desirous of having it understood that their county would do its full share toward his election. In view of the stories that Magee's followers would not go out of their way to help elect Eaver, these statements were received by elect Boyer, these statements were received be the Speaker's friends with much satisfaction Though Magee had only seven delegates from his county, yet it must not be supposed that he has lost his grip there. When the delegates to the State Convention were being elected, Chairman Andrews and other Quaylicutenants went to Pittsburg and tried to set up the County Committee against Magee. The latter more than held his own, but he was unable to look after the election of State Convention delegates, and in that way the other side se

The Magee men are getting ready for next year's battle, when they will present Major Montooth to lead the fight for the nomination Montooth to lead the fight for the nomination for Governor against Quay's candidate, Sen-ator G. W. Delamater. Quay is trying hard to alienate William Film, the big contractor, from Magee, and if he should succeed it would prove a great loss to the Magee forces. Film, however, has not shown any intention of quitting Magee's side.

Major Montooth is sanguine regarding his

Major Montooth is sanguine regarding his chances, says the Philadelphia Record, despite the fact that he will be obliged to contend against the power that lies enthroned around the dispenser of Federal patronage. He has his eye on a portion of the Philadelphia delegation, and he thinks he will get some supporters here. Mayor Fitler, it is understood, is opposed to Senator Delamater because of his intimacy with Quay.

The Mayor has not forgotten how Quay treated him when he was a candidate before the Chicago Cenvention last summer, and he will do nothing to aid Delamater if he continues in his present frame of mind. The Mayor wants Adjutant General Hastings to become a candidate, and he would willingly

come a candidate, and he would willingly throw the weight of his influence in his favor. The Mayor knows that the Adjutant General is very close to Quay, but as he likes Hastings he would be delighted if he could force Quay to take him up.

In the meantime Montoeth looks quietly on and seems to think that he will be able to get the Mayor to turn in for him should Hastings not Mayor to turn in for him should Hastings not enter the fight. Some of the Mayor's friends calculate upon receiving aid from Mr. McManes when the time comes. It may be said that McManes and Quay have made up, but those on the inside believe that McManes will remain friendly to Quay only long enough to get his followers a share of the Federal departments,

Quay, just as he pleases.

Cellector Cooper is said to be still in the race for Governor, and though he is laying low and saying nothing, his friends are determined to push him to the front at the proper time.

The Democratic managers are not much concerned over the nomination of a candidate for State Treasurer. The Philadelphia delegate will probably favor ex-Internal Revenue Col

lector Bigler, who lives in the western part of the State, but nothing definite has yet been decided about the matter. Chairman Stevens, of the Prohibition State Chairman Stevens, of the Prohibition State
Committee, says in an efficial address that the
no-party idea was one of the causes of the failure of the Prohibition amendment, and that
the friends of Prohibition now propose togo in
on the "third party" idea. The address says
that a fight will be made for State officers and that a fight will be made for State officers and the Legislature. A row has broken out in the Union Prehibition League. Martin I. J. Grif-fin, editor of the Irish Catholic Benevolent Union Journal, has resigned as Vice President and member of the League, it is said, because he was offended by an editorial article in the Quill, a Prohibition paper, on "Rum and Bomanism."

IT WORKS WONDERS.

Astonishing Effects of Dr. Brown-Seguard's

From the New York World.] CHATTAHOOCHE, MISS., August 9.—Dr. P.D. Squills, of this place, yesterday injected into a bedridden negro, age 70 years, one dram of elixir taken from a healthy goat. The old man is amusing himself to-day by dancing horn-pipes, butting down fences and chewing tin

RICHBURG, MISS. August 8.-An error re-Alcheolog, Miss.. August 2.—An error remarkable in its effects was made here on Thursday by Dr. Koon, who is an ardent disciple of the Brown-Sequard life elixir. The Doctor entrusted the slaughter of a lamb to an ignorant negro, who, through ignorance or maliciousness, killed the bell-wether of the flock. The vital organs of the animal, after being

liciousness, Rilled the bell-wether of the nock. Theyvital organs of the animal, after being macerated and liquefied, were used as an injection on the experimenter himself, who is about \$5 years of age. One hour after taking the liquid into his own veins Dr. Koon's hair fell out, his gums became bare, and with a hoarse 'Ba-ahi' he leaped nimbly over a fence into a stubble field and began nibbling voraciously. The unfortunate gentleman belongs to one of the first families of Mississippl. The ignorant negro will certainly be lynched.

San Francisco, August 2.—Veterinary Surgeon Graley injected three fluid grams of ostrich into the veins of an aged turkey gobbler. The result was marvelous. The goobler's feathers in half an hour assumed the texture and beauty of those of an ostrich. The gobbler stones, broke the leg of the surgeon with one single kick, and, on being chased, outran the fectest horse. He was only captured after having bidden his head in a mound of sand. Experts pronounce the feathers genuine ostrich. An English syndicate has cabled \$5,00.000 to form a stock company. The price of turkeys has jumped to \$3 cach. The discovery caused Robinson, McClise & Co., leading feather importers, to assign: liabilities \$500,000.

QUAY AT ATLANTIC CITY.

He Enjoys the Sabbath and Commends th

Work of the State Convention. PEPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH. ATLANTIC CITY, August 11.—Senator Quay and his party had a very enjoyable Sunday. In the first place they came over from the Mana-tee early in the morning, and four of themsnowden, Goodloe, of Kentucky. Conger, of Michigan, and Fassett, of New York, escorted by ex-Sheriff Leeds—promenaded the board walk all the way from the inlet down to the Dennis. Here and there they were stopped by the many politicians from Philadelphia and Pittsburg, who flocked to the island when they have that the Ramphilan Chairman and hy Pittsburg, who flocked to the island when they knew that the Republican Chairman and his friends were resting here, out on the Atlantic waters. It was I o'clock when they returned from their stroll along the beach and went back to the handsome steam yacht that will be their home for the next week or two. After dinner a long 20-mile run away beyond the sea buoys was taken.

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The party to-night, with the exception of Colonel A. L. Snowden, who goes home on a late train, are on board the yacht. If the tide at 5 o'clock in the morning isrunning right, the party will start for New York; thence after a two days' stay, they will go to Newport.

Senator Quay absolutely refuses to talk about national or State politics, save to say that he is highly pleased with the nomination of Speaker Boyer for State Treasurer and with the general work of the Harrisburg Convention.

JUDGE CUMMIN DEAD. A Leading Member of the Johnstown Relies

Committee No More.

ALTOONA, August II.—Judge H. H. Cummin, member of the Flood Relief Commission appointed by Governor Beaver, died this morning at 8 o'clock at Cresson Springs, of Bright's disease of the kidneys. The body passed through here this evening, en route to Willamsport, his late home, on a special car tendered by the officials of the Pennsylvania road. The remains were accompanied by Mrs. Cummin and her daughter and son. In the Language of the Hab.

From the Philadelphia Press.; New Yorkers calculate that 20,000,000 visits will attend the big show in 1892. This is what Boston culture would call enumerating poultry before the process of incubation is completed.

From the Hoston Globe.)

A Georgia man claims to have killed the sea serpent. He ought to be killed himself. Does he realize that his deed (if he really lid it) has spoiled volumes of good stories?

THEY WILL GATHER TOGETHER.

hibitory Voters.

ISPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH. PHILADELPHIA, August 11.—A. J. Kynett, President of the Union Prohibitory League, has issued the following call to the temperance

has issued the following call to the temperance voters of Pennsylvania:

"Earnestly protesting against the methods and influences so audaciously used for the defeat of the prohibitory amendment on the 18th of June; and greatly deploring the recent decision of the Supreme Court, which proves the insecurity of existing laws; and bolidly resenting the general disposition of the public press and political leaders to exult in the defeat of prohibition, and to take full control of temperance legislation yet 'only so far as it serves party purposes,' we call upon the large and conservative temperance element in Pennsylvania as represented by the 296,617 votes in favor of constitutional prohibition, to assert itself at servative temperance element in Pennsylvania as represented by the 286,617 votes in favor of constitutional prohibition, to assert itself at once against such unwarranted assumptions, corrupt methods and machine politics. With this end in view, a State Convention of the Union Prohibitory League is hereby called to meet in Harrisburg, Thursday, September 26, at 10 o'clock a. M. The representation as recommended by said committee will consist of the County Chairman, permanently elected or temporarily appointed, and three duly accredited delegates from each county. Members of the League throughout the State are requested to meet in their organizations and elect delegates, reporting their names and address to the Secretary not later than September 10."

In an address accompanying the above call the officers of the league say: "You need no committee to tell you, but only one voice to proclaim what you already know—the organized liquor power of the country is the most fermidable and dangerous foe we have to face. The hope we indulged that the people would arrest its progress by constitutional barriers has proven deludye. We did not anticipate that the great power of the press and of organized political machinery would be enlisted in the service of this glant wrong for the crucial conflict of June 18; nor could we foresee that the partial prohibition of the Brooks law would prove such an effective weapon against the total prohibition proposed for the Constitution, or that this partial measure, when so used, would be shattered and thrown aside as worse than useless by the subsequent decision of the Supreme Court. If the good people of Pennsylvania had foreseen all this, or if constitutional prohibition were now available, the State would not long lie helpless at the feet of this monster.

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would not long lie helpless at the feet of this monster.

"It is not proposed to nominate candidates for office. With three political parties in the field to name candidates for the public service, and the way always open for independent candidates, and with facilities for getting and giving information, there will be no difficulty in selecting candidates for oursuffrages who shall be in harmony with the purposes of the league. We urge prompt enrollment and organization, full representation in convention, united and determined action, and, as the Lord liveth, the saloon must go."

A MOST REMARKABLE DOG.

a Good as a Time Table to the People of a Yankee Town. Who-o-o, who-o-o, who, whe! in a way which sounded very much like the regulation whistic of the Consolidated Road lecomotive and down to a little station on the Shore Line division hurried an old gentleman, says a Bridgeport special to the New York Sun, Anxiety and perspiration were on every part of his face, for he fully expected to find the train already puffing and blowing at the station, "Well, I'll be darned!" he said as he looked in either

irection and could see nothing of the train.

I believe it is that cussed dog again." direction and could see nothing of the train.
"I believe it is that cussed dog again."
"You see," said the ancient granger later,
"this town has one of the most wonderful dogs
in the world. His owner lives near the station.
One day a gentleman waiting at the depot for
a train heard what he supposed to be it approaching. He listened, but no other sound
came for fully five minutes, when the train
came in sight. It happened that in a short
time another train would be due from the opposite direction. About five minutes before
the time of its arrival across the lot toward the
track trotted a large handsome dog. When
about in the center of the lot the dog stopped,
and lifting its head high in the air, proceeded
to announce the coming of a train. Who-owho-o-o, who, who, floated through the air
an exact imitation of the whistle of the locomotive of an approaching train. Dropping its
head and taking a look all around the dog leisurely walked back to the doorstep and went to
sleep. For more than a year the dog has kept
that up with unfailing regularity, exactly imitating the peculiar whistle of many engineers
on the road. He has learned the tune of every
regular train, and about the minutes before
each one is due you can see him in the same
position going through the same actions.
Whistle, as he is called, has fooled a great
many people."

Infortuntes. Infected. Date of weeter in Belegian Apout this New York of the
South.

CAMP TALA, ENTRE Rics, Argentine Republic, S. A., June 30.

The Congo Free State.

To the Editor of The Dispatch:

Please tell me something about the Congo
Free State, its area, boundaries and history.

UNIONTOWN, August 10.

[The Congo Free State originated in a suggestion of the Belgian Society of African Exploration, which was encouraged by the King
of the Belgians, and by Explorer Stanley. Its
object was to open the upper Congo country to
trade, to provent its annexation by European
powers, and to oppose the slave trade. It
would take too long to relate the various steps
and proce nany people."

WASHINGTON'S SPOOK PORTRAIT

Appears on the Bedroom Wall of a Penn

sylvania Hostelry. ISPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH. HARRISBURG, August 11.—The Union Hotel at Wrightsville, this State, enjoys a wide repu-tation because of its age and historic fame. It used it as headquarters during the Revolution-ary War. Room 7 is still honored as his sleep-ing apartment, and, according to its present proprietor, the furniture and fittings are the same now as when Washington occu the same now as when Washington occupied the room a century and a half ago. Few guests are put into this particular room, because it is alleged that at a certain hour of night the wall facing the bed is fillumined and the reflection of Washington's face can be plainly seen. The most singular fact is that no matter which way the bed is turned the reflection is always on the wall facing the headboard.

J. M. Austin, of York, known throughout Central Pennsylvanis for character and veracity, recently occupied the chamber and he declares that he saw the reflection. He says he knew nothing about the room prior to the night in question, and that the face was a precise counterpast of the pictures of Washington. His statement is verified by John Rogers, clerk of the hotel. Proprietor Hoke says that the crowfooted leather-seated chair now in the room was used by Washington and that its mate is in Independence Hall in Philadelphia. Those who know of these nightly reflections will not enter the room after darkness, and no one is more afraid than Lowis Hury, the porter,

TAKING TIME TO CONSIDER. Kentucky Girl Changes Her Mind Almos

at the Altar. Louisville, August 11.—Mary Rice, of this county, lives at Old Deposit, a small village near Louisville, and is the daughter of Andy Rice, a farmer. Horace Middleton, also a fol-Rice, a farmer. Horace Middleton, also a fol-lower of agriculture, is young and handsome, and works on the adjoining farm. He fell in love with the pretty Mary, and prospered with his suit, but was unfortunate enough to incur-parental objections. Thursday afternoon he and Mary eloped, and her three sisters accom-panied them. They came to Louisville, and crossed over to Jeffersonville in search of a magistrate.

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Upon their arrival there Mary said she be-lieved she had changed her mind, and that she would not get married after all. Middleton expostulated, and her sisters joined him in his entreaties that she should go on with the marriage. But Mary was not to be persuaded, She promised, however, to consider the matter ten mouths longer, and if she then found that she still loved Middleton she would marry him.

A QUEER BOARD BILL. Mr. Whitney Wants His Son-in-Law to Pay

for Dinners Given Him. BUFFALO, August 11 .- A strange sequel t BUFFALO, August II.—A strange sequel to the famous Whitney divorce case of Belmont, N. Y., is now agitating the Allegany County Courts. As will be remembered, the co-respondent, Ira H. Myers, was engaged to Mr. respondent, Ira H. Myers, was engaged to Mr. Whitney's daughter Florence, who, however, was not Mrs. Whitney's child, but the fruit of a previous marriage. Florence stood by her step-mother and Myers throughout the trial and after its disastrous termination married

and after its disastrous termination married the latter.

Now Mr. Whitney has brought suit against Myers for the dinners and luncheons to which he invited him while Myers was paying attentions to his daughter and presumably to his wife as well. This has given a farcial cast to what had previously been regarded as a most serious affair, and Whitney is losing much of the sympathy formerly lavished upon him.

THE QUAKERS ASTONISHED.

An Unusual Sight Witnessed on Chestnu Street in Philadelphia. '
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A company of Western excursionists who had mever seen old ocean came to town on Friday, and after putting up at the Washington Hotel left for Atlantic City yesterday morning. There were ten women and three men in the party, all from Winchester, Ky. Most of the women had never been East before, and fellowing their Western custom started out for a walk on Chestuut street without bonnots or hats on their heads. They naturally created quite a sensation on the crowded thoroughfare. The women were handsome and well dressed.

OUR MAIL POUCH. A GREAT NEWSPAPER.

Amber and Ambergrie, To the Editor of The Dispatch:
I noticed in your columns the other day an item relating to the finding of a quantity of ambergris. What is the nature of the stuff? Is it anything like amber? CURIOUS.
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[Ambergris, which is used as a basis for nearly all standard perfumery, was first found an unastractive mass floating on the surface of the sea or lodged upon the shore. It has been in use for centuries, and it is only until comparatively recent times that its origin has become known. It is nothing more than the morbid secretion of the liver of a sick spermaceti whale. It is described as a fatty, waxy substance disagreeable to sight or touch, but even in its crude state exhaling a pleasant odor. The crude substance is subjected to chemical The crude substance is subjected to chemaction to extract the active principle ca The crude substance is subjected to chemical action to extract the active principle called amberine. It was recently reported that a Maine fisherman picked up a mass of the substance which nearly filled a barrel, and is worth \$22,000. This is probably an exaggeration both as to size and price, for the largest piece on record was found at the Windward Islands, weighing 130 pounds. This was sold for about \$2,500. Amber was also first found on the sheres of the sea after severe storms. For a time its origin was unknown, but it was early put to use and regarded with a superstitious awe by the ancient Greeks and Romans, its peculiar electrical qualities being noted by them. It is now thought to be the gum of forest trees which perished ages and ares ago, the lands upon which they flourished having become the ocean's bed. Amber has no fixed value, the price being regulated wholly by size, quality and other considerations. Drops of amber in which are imbedded insects of those ancient times command fancy prices, while the more common kinds are used for making a certain kind of varnish and even in medicine. The world's supply of the two, amber and ambergris, does not wholly depend upon what may be accidentally found. Dredging for amber is now systematically carried on by regularly organized companies, and all spermaceti whales killed by whalemen are subjected to a presty thorough post mortem examination, the find of ambergris in the monater's interior often being vastly more valuable than the oil extracted from his blubber overcoat.

A copy of Harper's Weekly several months old contains the following paragraph: "In a recent debate on what is known as the Senate tariff bill Senator Vest referred in terms of the recent debate on what is known as the Senate tariff bill Senator Vest referred in terms of the highest praise to Mr. William Eleroy Curtis' book, The Capitals of Spanish America (Harper & Brothers). He said, among other things, 'It is one of the mest interesting books I have ever read. It developed to me a new world in South America of which I had never dreamed. His description of the Argentine Republic sounds like romance, but he gives facts and figures beyond any question.'"

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If the value ol Mr. Curtis' book may be estimated by the accuracy of the "facts and figures beyond question" concerning the Argentine Republic, the long suffering American public should immediately get up a leather medal for one who has shed such a flood of light on their heathenish ignorance regarding these far off-lands. The work should rank in that library of modern fiction, represented by the works of Jules Verre, Rider Haggard and others.

It's a pity that such a misleading book should be published by a firm like Harper's. The country is well worth writing about, but I am sure a series of articles could be written on it which would be very interesting, without needing to draw on a romantic imagination. It would appear that this gentleman had paid his visit to this country in the guise of a "marine," and had acquired the valuable information which smally fails to the share of these prefortunates. Indeed, one doubts if Mr. Curtis was ever in Buenos Ayres, such inaccuncies does he publish about this New York of these prefortunates. Indeed, one doubts if Mr. Curtis was ever in Buenos Ayres, such inaccuncies does he publish about this New York of these prefortunates. Laker Right Republic, St. A., June 30.

which is now fairly well established. The State embraces a strip on the north bank of the Congo from the mouth of the river to Moaryanga. Its area is estimated at 1,056,200 square miles, and its population at 27,000,000. The creation and establishment of this State has been one of the most interesting incidents of recent history.]

An Anecdote of Justice Stephen.

To the Editor of The Dispatch: Much attention has lately been drawn to that Maybrick case in Liverpool, and Justice Stephen has gained some notoriety by the sentence he delivered. I recollect a little incident that happened a few years ago in a Weish assize court, where the same man was Judge, and which showed that Judge Stephen could at nes temper justice with mercy.

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A young weman pleaded guilty to the charge of obtaining goods by false pretenses: this was her first offense and the Court sentenced her to three months in jail; but all of a sudden the Judge called, "Stop! is there anyone present who knows this girl? It's a pity to send her to prison and to be for ever afterward branded as a criminal." Fortunately an old employer of her was in court, and after some talk between him and Justice Stephen as to previous conduct, and his willingness to go security for her future good behavior, the Judge gave the girl some suitable advice. Hoping that that would be awarning to her for life, he then revoked the sentence and set her free. The affair only occupied a few minutes, but it made a deep impression on those present, as well as myself. npression on those present, as well as mysel IDLEWOOD, August 10. CYMBO.

Chienge Cinims the Proud Distinction. Which city of the world, including suburbs overs the largest territory? PITTSBURG, August 10.

THE REASON WHY.

How it Happens That Mixed Drinks Are Worse Than Straight. From the Memphis Avalanche.

"Why does a man weaken quicker mixed drinks than straight?" a barkeeper was asked. "For two reasons," he replied. "In the first place, a good deat more liquor goes into a mixed drink, like a punch or julep, than you think. In the next place, the liquor than you think. In the next place, the liquor used in making it is generally of worse quality or newer any way than that set out for customers who take theirs straight. There is not one man in twenty who can tell the difference after the drink is mixed and flavored.

"The mint julep is the most ticklish tipple of all, because you suck it through a straw and inhale the fumes of the liquor. Mixed drinks are not as popular in Memphis as they are North. The result is that there is a much better article of whisky sold in good saloous here than you can find in most of the finest places in New York, Chicago or Cincinnati. I know it, because I've practiced on both sides of the bar in nearly every big city in this country. The meanest whisky is always to be found in a beer town, Cincinnati, St. Louis and Milwankee, for instance. New Orleans sells mostly "blended" stuff, but it is better than you can get North.

THE IDEAL HUSBAND.

You've a neat little wife at home, John, You've a neat little wife at nome, do
As sweet as you wish to see:
As faithful and gentle hearted,
As fond as wife can be;
A genuine, home-loving woman,
Not earing for fuss and show;
She's dearer to you than life, John;
Then kiss her and tell her so.

Your dinners are promptly served, John,
As likewise your breakfast and tea;
Your wardrobe is always in order,
With buttons where buttons should be.
Her house is a cosy home nest, John,
A heaven of rest below;
You think she's a rare little treasure:
Then kiss her and tell her so. Then kiss her and tell her so.

She's a good wife and true to you, John, Let fortune be foul or fair:
Of whatever comes to you, John,
She cheerfully bears her share;
You feel she's a brave, true helper,
And perhaps her more than you know,
"Twill lighten her end of the load, John,
Just to kies her and tell her so.

There's a crossroad somewhere in life, John, Where a hand on a guiding stone Will signal one "over the river," And the other must go on alone. Should she meet the last milestone first, Joh "Twill be comfort amid your woe To know that while loving her here, John, You kissed her and told her so.

- Woman's Magazine,

Choice Rending Matter in Abundance Yesterday's 16-Page Disputch. The Sunday edition of THE DISPATCH is unsurpassed as a newspaper. This is not a boast, but merely a repetition of what its readers say. There is a large army of them; new recruits are being mustered in every day, and there are no deserters. They are persons of good judgment and fully determined to keep posted on the live questions of the day. Therefore they find THE DISPATCH, which is always full of interesting news and intermation, an invaluable aid. Yesterday's issue, both in its news and its literary features, was one of great excellence, as the following brief summary will show: The Sunday edition of THE DISPATCH is to

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The sensation of the week in Europe was the verdict in the Maybrick case. If Mrs. Maybrick is hanged it is thought possible that the precedent may lead to a change in the law, allowing prisoners to testify in their own behalf. The action which Russia will take in regard to the Cretanfinsurrection is awaited with interest. Greece has been snubbed by England and the Triple Alliance Bismarck is making, every effort to strengthen in order to surround France. The imperial Budget discloses a big deficit—200,000,000 marks.

Yeldell, alias Flemon, the Pittsburg colored preacher, was acquitted of the charge of murder at Edgeneld, S. C. Abram S. Hewitt has returned from Europe with new ideas on the subject of steel making. He says that under a new process, soon to be introduced here, stool can be manufactured of Southern pig at a cost of \$15 per ton. Pennsylvania Democrats have not yet settled upon a candidate for State Treasurer. Interesting experiments with the new idealizate has been made in Philadelphia. not yet settled upon a candidate for State Treasurer. Interesting experiments with the new life clirir have been made in Philadelphia. Deputy United States Marshal Hager was murdered by outlaws in Wyoming county, W. Va. The Indianapolis faster has been 57 days without food. The Supreme Court of New Jersey has decided that an infidel cannot be debarred from testifying in court. A New York drummer is reported to have cleverly York drummer is reported to have cleverly captured the trade of several merchants, who came East to purchase goods of John Wanamaker. An interview with Sunset Cox, who has just returned from a tour of the West,

made interesting reading. President Harriso and Mr. Blaine took a short ocean voyage, Trouble continues in the coke region. Men were assaulted while at work, and conwere assaulted while at work, and considerable damage has been done to property. While Officers Shawl and Singer were trying to arrest several men, it is alleged that the former shot a man named Britton. The officer has been charged with felonious assault. Allegheny is anxious to have a Government building. The

on Saturday.

Pittsburg played two games with Washington at Recreation Park. In the first the score was Pittsburgs, I; Washingtons, 2; in the second Pittsburgs, 5; Washingtons, 5. Some exciting races were run at Saratoga. Pringle's interest ing review and a wariaty of interesting items filled the seventh page.

Frank G. Carpenter's letter from Jerusalem described in an interesting manner the customs of the Jewish people in that ancient city. The article was richly illustrated. Kamera sketched the scenes at Long Branch in a pleasing style. "Guests at Camp Mneteen," Franklin File's story, was a choice bit of fiction. How the profeesional divers pursue their calling was told in an illustrated article by Morton. A London correspondent gave an account of Parnell's life and work. Blakely Hall described the English and work. Blakely Hall described the English schools of cookery. Dr. Jackson contributed an article on mail liquors and the adulteration of beer. Shirley Dare's paper on women's work in summer was timely and interesting. H. A. W. furnished a readable sketch entitled "Life on a Flat Boat." Edgar L. Wakeman told how seals are caught off the coast of Labrador. Belva Lockwood wrote from Paris about the home life of French women. Under the heading "The Folly of Fanalon," Jung Jager gave an interesting account of a midnight excursion on the Ohio river. Theodore Stanton gave a column of entertaining goesip regarding Americans in pleasing story. Rev. George Hodges, "A Clergyman," and Clara Belle were other con-tributors. The goesin of the summer resorts and the ubual departments contained a great deal of information of interest to. Pittabute."

A VIRGINIA CRŒSUS DEAD.

Ho Made His Money in Tobacco and Railroads and Leaves \$1,600,000. RICHMOND, VA., August 11.-Mr. Daniel K.

Stewart, the richest man in Virginia, died at his residence in Henrico county, near this city, early this morning, aged 81. Mr. Stewart was a Scotchman by birth and amassed his fortune by tobacco, and in later years in dealing in railroad securities. He was unmarried and lived at Brook Hill, the estate of his brother who at Brook Hill, the estate of his brother who preceded him to the grave about five years ago. John and Daniel Stewart, though modest men, were very influential in Virginia, especially in the Episcopal Church, and were devoted friends of the confederacy, though neither had surrendered his allegiance to the English Government. Mr. Daniel Stewart owned the house here in which General Lee's family lived during the war. His fortune is \$1,600,000.

PRACTICAL CHRISTIANITY.

Postmaster General Wanamaker Makes Sunday Address Upon the Subject. SARATOGA, N. Y., August 11.-Post: General Wanamaker spoke for half an hour this afternoon before the Young Men's Jhris-tian Association on the subject of "Practical

TRI-STATE TRIFLES.

According to the Meadville Tribune a man in that city owns a dog that has a weak tail—so weak that he can't curl it up over his back, like other dogs, and all attempts to wag it prove fruitless. The gentleman is tender hearted, however, and has arranged a strap harness by the aid of which his canine's tail is carried with that peculiar upward curl of which all well ordered dogs seem so vain. The outfit gives one the idea that the man intended to muzzle his dog and made a mistake, but that is

Some boys of New Wilmington, Pa., chase a rabbit into a fiellow log. In getting the rab-bit out they came across a sheep, the property of R. A. Crawford. The sheep is supposed to have backed into the log and could not extri-cate itself. It had been lost from the flock about a week, and in all probability had been confined there that time. From the end of the log to where it was cut out was 15 feet. What duced it to back into the log is not known.

not the case.

A PEW days ago mention was made that Henry Wood, a farmer living near Trenton, O., had drawn a good-sized live snake from his stomach that had been troubling him for years. The snake has become a pet in the family, and is preserved in a large glass jar. It drinks milk like a kitten and is very fond of Mr. Wood's society. It was l4 inches long when removed from his stomach, and has since grown

MRS. S. C. WATTS, of Harrisburg, has two plants called Elephant's Ears, the leaf of one measuring 3 feet 11 inches in length, and 2 feet 7 inches in width. The other plant has leaves measuring a few inches less, is in bloom with its fourth successive flower and two buds form-ing. The flowers are a deep rich organ accouning. The flowers are a deep, rich cream color, shaped like a calla lily, only very much larger.

ALBERT BECHTEL, of Akron, while fishing ALBERT BECHTEL, of Akron, while fishing at Turkey-foot Lake, had a rather peculiar experience. After catching several blue-gills his supply of bait became exhausted, and taking a piece of common chewing gum he rolled it into an oval wad and stuck it upon the naked Ushhook near the top. He threw in the line and was struck speechless to see it snapped up by a bass weighing about three pounds, which he succeeded in landing safely.

FARMER STEPHENS drove into Athens, Pa., a couple of mornings since and carefully tied his handsome gray horse beneath a shed. Returning for it later in the day he found it gene and hitched in the same spot a wretched-looking little donkey. Having no other alternative he hitched up the changeling and drove sadly

CURIOUS CONDENSATIONS.

-Jerry Morron, of Hancock county, W. Va., is over 20 years of age and scarcely three feet high. -The lima bean crop of Ventura county,

California, this year will amount to 8,000 tons, worth \$400,000. -A Justice of the Peace in Doddridge county, W. Va., has been fined for selling whisky unlawfully.

-A Middletown, Del., duck mingles with chickens and endeavors to conceal its identity by making attempts at crowing. -A charter has been granted for a rail

road in Liberia. It will be the first in the —A pair of screens wrought in the finest of gold lacquer by Japanese workmen have been sold to a merchant of Shanghai for \$14,000. -California fruit growers, who used to

throw away their peach pits, are now getting #6 a ton for them. They are worth this for fuel. They make a hot and aromatic fire.

—Mrs. Mary E. Kingnorth, of Marion, N. Y., a widow 57 years of age, advertised for a husband. A wealthy Chicago man replied, and after corresponding for a time they met and were married.

-Captain Haskell, of San Francisco, cently witnessed a terrific battle between a swordfish and a whale in the harbor at San Francisco. The swordfish was finally victor-ious, killing the whale.

-W. M. Branch, of Paw Paw, Mich.,

houest anyhow. He published a card in the local papers setting forth that he is a specimen of what whisky can do for a man, and pledging himself to stick to water for the future. -Mrs. Jacob Pearce, of Hawkinsville, Ga., bought a hen from a chicken trader. The hen was killed for dinner Sunday, and in the gizzard of the fowl were found 27 brass pistol cartridge hulls, six buttons and a piece of lead.

-The Rev. Frank Peterson, the representative of the American-Swedish Baptist Church, at the late international Sunday School Convention in London, reports that there are 33,000,000 teachers and scholars in the Sunday schools of the world.

-Charles Foster, an Albany lad, fell into the river while fishing and sank to the bottom. He was dragged out with grappling irons after he had been under water for 8 or 10 minutes. The doctor revived him by artificial respiration and has hopes of his recovery. The case is considered most remarkable.

-Vincennes, Ind., has just produced an original judge. A saloon keeper was to be tried before him for selling liquor without a license, and the case had excited so much interest that a crowd was expected to be present Accordingly the judge bired a hall and charge all spectators 10 cents admission. -The Union Elevated Railroad in Brooklyn is haunted. The sound of blows on the

rails, as if some one were striking them with a

hammer, is frequently heard at night when no-body is at work on the road. The mysterious noise seems to come from a place where a workman was killed some time ago. -J. E. Hutchinson, a freight conductor on the Mobile and Ohio Railroad, was engaged to marry Miss Bettle McDaniels, of Jackson, Tenn., and went there to consummate their vows. A friend advised him not to marry the girl, but he insisted. The pair stood up to be married, when the friend spoke to Hutchinson again, and the bridegroem abruptly left the house.

-New Haven police recently detected a —New Haven police recently detected a saloon keeper who was selling liquor on Sunday in a curious way. An officer ascended East Rock, having first secured a good apy-glass. He took a position where he could see the saloon and watch it. Presently he saw some men enter and he theroupon gave a signal by waving a handkerchief to a squad of officers stationed in a house near the saloon. They also had a glass, and when the signal was given descended upon the saloon. The proprietor was arrested and fined \$50 and costs the next day.

-A Kingston (N. Y.) man by will left a life interest to his widow in a little estate valued at \$2,000, the property after her death to be divided between 12 heirs. There being a small mortgage on this property foreciosure followed and the cests of court, lawyers' fees, etc., made the judgment foot up to \$1,390. During her life the widow will be entitled to the interest of the remaining dollar, and at her death two of the heirs will receive 20 cents each, five of them will be entitled to 5 cents each, and one will receive the annual interest on 20 cents during life.

-On a precent submings from from, in trying to fly from its nest in one of the tall trees in front of the Court House at Kingston, N. Y., fell on the grass plat. A large cat

trees in front of the Court House at Kingston, N. Y., fell on the grass plat. A large cat sprang into the yard, and taking the bird in its mouth started with it toward the barn. The bird gave a cry, when the parent robin flew from the tree and attacked the cat with such firmness that puss dropped the bird. The cat then backed up against the fence and showed fight. The old bird, not one bit dismayed, with bill wide open, feathers ruified and screaming with rage, struck the feline twice. The fur flew. The cat was so frightened that it ran away as fast as it could and crawled under the corner of a building.

-A party of four Sacramento anglers went up the river the other day to catch some fish. They agreed that whenever one should fish. They agreed that whenever one should land a fish each of the others should pay him a quarter. One of the quartet was especially unlucky in his piscatorial venture, and was soon out of pocket \$4.25 and down to his last quarter. He wanted to break up the compact, but the others wouldn't let him. Just then he stole one of the fishes caught by another of the party, slipped it upon his hook and into the water. He soon landed it with a great deal of splutter and noise, and received six bits. When the others were not looking he replaced it on his hook and again went through the act of landing a fish. He managed to work the dodge until he had not only got back his \$4.25, but broke the rest of the crowd.

—Since its first year the Thirteen Club.

—Since its first year the Thirteen Club, of New York, has gone on ridicaling minor superstitions with all its might, and if it has not succeeded in hurting the superstitions, the superstitions do not seem to have hurt the club. Among the other achievements of which the club is proud is the alleged rehabilitation of Friday—a day whose reputation has been of the worst from time immemorial. It published some time ago a list of notable events, by no means baneful ones, which happened on Friday. For instance, the club's archivist professes to have discovered that on Friday, August 21, 1492, Christopher Columbus sailed for America. On Friday, October 12, 1492, he first discovered land, On Friday, December 22, 1899, the Mayflower landed the Frigrims on Plymouth Rock. Bismarck, Giadstone and a host of great men were born on Friday. And so on through a long list. -Since its first year the Thirteen Club

FUNNY MEN'S FANCIES. After a man has been married a few years ne never dodges when his wife throws anyth

"What shall I call my play?" asked the man who had stolen one from the French; and his friend advised him to call it Elijah, because it was translated.—The Beacon. The Good Old Way.-Clergyman-How shall we reach the young men of the present day? Father of five daughters—What's the matter with the old-fashioned way with a boot?—Texas

Mr. Sampson—I have spoken to your father, Miss Clara, and he has given me permis-sion to speak to you. Miss Clara—Excusel me, Mr. Sampson, but I cannot entertain any second-Mr. Sampson, but I cannot enter hand offer of marriage. — Epoch. TO A LOVER,

Strtings.

Don't be bashful, my boy; if you'd get her 'Tis the man's piace to woo—
A girl likes you to kiss her much better
Than she likes to kiss you.
—New York Evening Sun.

The August Century contains advice "How to Act When Bitten by a Rattlesnake."
We knew an actor once who was bitten by a rattlesnake, and he hasn't been able to act' any since. We doubt about this advice helping him any. Cautious-Ted-Are you going to call on that heiress this evening?

Ned-No; not with this terrible cold.

Ted-What difference does that make? Ned-Why, my boy, in these days an heiress not to be succeed at, -Hurper's Basar. Knocked Out in One Round .- Wagg, to his sister. The young man with whom you chome last night was a thoroughly disreput fellow.

fellow.
Sitter—So I inforred. He said, poor fellow, that he had been intimate with you for many years.—
Philadelphia Inquirer.

"Do you know," said DeCloot, "that when I was a small boy I was saved by a blow. I became suddenly unconsclous, and father, believing that I was shamming, applied a shingle with great vigor." "A lick, sir, of life," said the office boy, softly, as he shooed the cockroaches out of the paste pot.—Washington Capital.

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"Oh, George," she murmured, "I know you are strong and will protect me; yet even now, as we recline in this swinging haumock, I am surrounded by fear."

A CITIERN of Fairview, W. Va., declares that he saw, the other night, the ghost of his grandfather, who has been dead & years.

Droke down to punish her, — Lowernee Assertions, broke down to punish her, — Lowernee Assertions,